

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA  
HAMMOND DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	)	
	)	
v.	)	CAUSE NO.: 2:18-CR-130-TLS-JEM
	)	
APRIL DENISE HILL,	)	
Defendant.	)	

**FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION  
OF THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
UPON A PLEA OF GUILTY**

TO: THE HONORABLE THERESA L. SPRINGMANN, CHIEF JUDGE,  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

Upon Defendant's request to enter a plea of guilty pursuant to Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, this matter came on for hearing before U.S. Magistrate Judge John E. Martin, on July 2, 2019, with the written consents of Defendant, counsel for Defendant, and counsel for the United States of America.

The hearing on Defendant's plea of guilty was in full compliance with Rule 11, Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, before the Magistrate Judge in open court and on the record.

In consideration of that hearing and the statements made by Defendant under oath on the record and in the presence of counsel, the remarks of the Assistant United States Attorney and of counsel for Defendant,

**I FIND** as follows:

(1) that Defendant understands the nature of the charges against her to which the plea is offered;

(2) that Defendant understands her right to trial by jury, to persist in her plea of not guilty,

to the assistance of counsel at trial, to confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses, and her right against compelled self-incrimination;

(3) that Defendant understands what the maximum possible sentences are, including the effect of supervised release terms, and Defendant understands that the Sentencing Guidelines apply and that the Court may depart from those guidelines under some circumstances;

(4) that the plea of guilty by Defendant has been knowingly and voluntarily made and is not the result of force or threats or of promises;

(5) that Defendant is competent to plead guilty;

(6) that Defendant understands that her answers may later be used against her in a prosecution for perjury or false statement;

(7) that there is a factual basis for Defendant's plea; and further,

**I RECOMMEND** that the Court accept Defendant's plea of guilty and that Defendant be adjudged guilty of Counts 1 and 2 of the Indictment, and have sentences imposed. A Presentence Report has been ordered. Should these Findings and Recommendation be accepted and Defendant adjudged guilty, sentencing will be scheduled before Chief Judge Theresa L. Springmann by separate order and notice. Objections to the Findings and Recommendation are waived unless filed and served within fourteen (14) days. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B).

SO ORDERED this 8th day of July, 2019.

s/ John E. Martin  
MAGISTRATE JUDGE JOHN E. MARTIN  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

cc: All counsel of record